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IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please ADD new claim 19 in accordance with the following:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Previously Presented) The home-delivery method according to claim 18, wherein the parcel information includes information about contents, weight and dimensions of the parcel, and the receiver designates the convenience store by selecting a place for receiving a parcel from a group including at least the receiver's home and working place.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The home-delivery method according to claim 18, wherein the registering comprises:

transmitting a map of an area selected by the receiver to the receiver's terminal from the home-delivery server, and

selecting a convenience store by the receiver from the transmitted map displayed on the receiver's terminal.

- 4. (Previously Presented) The home-delivery method according to claim 3, wherein the privilege being given to the receiver when the receiver receives the parcel before or at the designated day and time at the displayed convenience store.
- 5. (Previously Presented) A home-delivery server used in a home-delivery system for a receiver to receive a parcel, comprising:

a database registering user information including a home address and a working place address of the receiver, an address of each of a plurality of convenience stores for relaying the parcel, and consignment information about the parcel to be transmitted to the receiver; means for transmitting parcel information to a receiver's terminal after the consignment information is registered in the home-delivery server and before the parcel is delivered;

means for transmitting information for requiring the receiver to designate the home address or the working place address;

means for receiving information showing which address the receiver designated;
means for extracting, from the database, information regarding convenience stores
located in a vicinity of the designated home address or the designated working place address;

means for transmitting a map including a group of the extracted convenience stores in an area selected by the receiver for the receiver to designate a convenience store;

means for requiring the receiver to designate a convenience store for receiving the parcel from a plurality of the convenience stores in the transmitted map and a day and a time for receiving the parcel;

means for displaying an advertisement and a privilege, and receiving the information about the designated convenience store and the designated date and time;

means for instructing a deliveryman to deliver the parcel to the convenience store designated by the receiver to transfer the parcel to the receiver; and

means for providing a privilege to the receiver when the receiver receives the parcel.

6. (Cancelled)

- 7. (Previously Presented) The home-delivery server according to claim 5, further comprising means for informing the receiver of a message at a timing before the day and time designated by the receiver, the message inviting the receiver to receive the parcel.
- 8. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable storage storing a program for controlling a computer to control a home-delivery system for a receiver to receive a parcel, the program when executed by a computer causes the computer to perform the process, comprising:

registering consignment information in a database of a home-delivery server including an address of each of a plurality of convenience stores for relaying the parcel;

transmitting parcel information to a receiver's terminal after the consignment information is registered in the database and before the parcel is delivered;

transmitting information for requiring the receiver to designate a home address or a working place address;

receiving information showing which address the receiver designated;

extracting, from the database, information regarding convenience stores located in a vicinity of the designated home address or the designated working place address;

transmitting a map including a group of the extracted convenience stores in an area selected by the receiver for the receiver to designate a convenience store;

requiring the receiver to designate a convenience store for receiving the parcel from a plurality of the convenience stores in the transmitted map and a day and a time for receiving the parcel;

receiving information about the day, time, and the convenience store that the receiver designates for receiving the parcel;

displaying an advertisement and a privilege about the convenience store;

instructing a delivery man to deliver the parcel to the convenience store designated by the receiver; and

providing a privilege to the receiver when the receiver receives the parcel.

9. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable storage according to claim 8, wherein said instructing comprises confirming whether a user is a correct receiver.

10-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) A home-delivery method for a receiver to receive a parcel, comprising:

registering information, including addresses of each of a plurality of convenience stores, for relaying the parcel in advance;

registering user information, including a home address and a working place address of the receiver;

registering consignment information of the parcel to be received by the receiver in a home-delivery server;

transmitting parcel information from the home-delivery server to a terminal of the receiver after the consignment information is registered and before the parcel is delivered;

requiring the receiver to designate the home address or the working place address; extracting, by the home-delivery server, information regarding convenience stores located in a vicinity of the designated home address or the designated working place address;

transmitting to the terminal map including a group of the extracted convenience stores in an area selected by the receiver for the receiver to designate a convenience store;

requiring the receiver to designate a convenience store for receiving the parcel form a plurality of the convenience stores in the transmitted map and a day and a time for receiving the parcel and transmitting the information on the designated convenience store and the designated date and time to the home-delivery server and displaying an advertisement and a privilege about the convenience store; and

delivering the parcel in accordance with designation information received by the homedelivery server; and

providing a privilege to the receiver when the parcel is delivered.

19. (New) A method for delivering a parcel, comprising:

registering receiver information including at least one delivery address for a receiver of the parcel;

requiring the receiver to designate a delivery address based on the registered receiver information;

determining convenience stores located within a user-definable vicinity of the designated delivery address;

displaying on a user terminal a map including the determined convenience stores within the user-defined vicinity of the designated delivery address, and displaying a coupon and a privilege for each of the determined convenience stores;

requiring the receiver to designate a convenience store for receiving the parcel from the determined convenience stores and providing the receiver with the coupon that can be redeemed at the corresponding convenience store;

delivering the parcel in accordance with the designated convenience store; and providing the privilege to the receiver when the parcel is successfully delivered.